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SUBJECT: LABIDI TRAVEL -- AFDB

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1. AFDB PRESIDENT LABIDI PLANS TO ARRIVE IN D.C. FOR IBRD MEETINGS
SEPTEMBER 29 DISCUSSED IN SECRETARY SIMON LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 3. HE
HAS ADJUSTED HIS SCHEDULE IN ORDER TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND PLANS TO

REMAIN IN WASHINGTON APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK.

2. WHILE IN WASHINGTON HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH USG OFFICIALS ON
AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK. DUE TO LIMITED TIME IN WASHINGTON,
HE IS ANXIOUS HAVE ONE JOINT MEETING WITH REPS OF TREASURY, STATE
AND AID RATHER THAN A SERIES OF SMALL MEETINGS. AMBASSADOR SUGGESTS
MEETING INCLUDE ASSISTANT SECRETARY EASUM OR DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY BLAKE FROM AFRICA BUREAU, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY WEINTR
AUB
FROM EB, SUCCESSOR TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY HENNESSY AT TREASURY, AND
AID ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR ADAMS.

3. WOULD ALSO LIKE TO MEET WITH ONE OR MORE OF KEY MEMBERS OF
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HOUSE BANKING AND CURRENCY COMMITTEE IF POSSIBLE IN A SEPARATE

MEETING.

4. LABIDI LEAVES ABIDJAN SEPTEMBER 15 FOR EUROPE EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON BUT STAFF WILL CONTINUE TO ORGANIZE WASHINGTON SCHEDULE AROUND DATES DEPARTMENT CAN GIVE US FOR MEETINGS DISCUSSED ABOVE. KEY STAFF MAN AT AFDB PLANS TO LEAVE SEPT. 23. IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR WASHINGTON MEETINGS AT LEAST TENTATIVELY CONFIRMED BEFORE THAT DATE. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.
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